

WHEREAS, President Ronald W. Reagan first declared “National Crime Victims’ Rights Week” in 1981 to focus our Nation’s attention on the plight of crime victims; and

WHEREAS, this silver Anniversary of National Crime Victims’ Rights Week provides a national opportunity to reflect on the devastating impact of crime and terrorism on victims and our entire Nation, and to strengthen our national resolve to ensure that victims’ needs are identified and addressed; and

WHEREAS, America as a Nation, and we as individuals and communities, recognize that justice isn’t served until crime victims are, that crime and violence in America affects us all, and that victims’ rights are a critical component of “justice for all;” and

WHEREAS, justice isn’t served until all crime victims and those hurt by crime – our mothers and fathers, sons and daughters, sisters and brothers, neighbors and friends – are provided support and assistance in the aftermath of victimization; and

WHEREAS, despite impressive accomplishments over the past 25 years in crime victims’ rights and services, there remain many challenges to ensure that all crime victims and survivors are treated with dignity and respect, recognized as key participants within our systems of justice, and afforded services that provide help and hope to them; and

WHEREAS, America has joined together annually for the past 25 years to recognize the needs and rights of crime victims and survivors during National Crime Victims’ Rights Week affording them services that provide help and hope to them.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Davie, hereby proclaim the week of April 10 – 16, 2005 as;

CRIME VICTIMS’ WEEK

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 16TH day of March, 2005.

Tom Truex, Mayor

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